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ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE DIRECT
SHIPMENT OF WINE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That there is created a Task Force
to Study the Direct Shipment of Wine.

(a) The task force shall consist of the following
members:

(1) Two members appointed by the President Pro
Tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall represent a licensed
wine manufacturer in the state, and one of whom shall
represent a licensed wine distributor in the state.

(2) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the
House of Representatives, one of whom shall represent a
licensed wine retailer in the state, and one of whom shall
represent a shipping and delivery business.

(3) Two members of the Senate, one of whom shall be
a member of the minority party, appointed by the President Pro
Tempore of the Senate.

1 (4) Two members of the House of Representatives, one
2 of whom shall be a member of the minority party, appointed by
3 the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

4 (5) A representative of the Alcoholic Beverage
5 Control Board, appointed by the board.

6 (b) The appointing authorities shall coordinate
7 their appointments to assure the task force membership is
8 inclusive and reflects the racial, gender, geographic, urban,
9 rural, and economic diversity of the state.

10 (c) The first meeting of the task force shall be
11 called by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the
12 Speaker of the House of Representatives. At the first meeting,
13 the task force shall elect a chair and vice-chair.

14 (d) The task force shall examine other states' laws
15 regarding the direct shipment of alcoholic beverages from
16 producers or retailers to customers, particularly under
17 circumstances where other states use a 3-tier system of
18 regulating alcoholic beverages, and how direct shipment of
19 wine would impact Alabama's existing regulatory structure and
20 its licensed manufacturers, distributors, and retailers under
21 the 3-tier system and the benefits of authorizing direct
22 shipment.

23 (e) The goal of the task force is to determine
24 whether the direct shipment of wine would benefit the state as
25 a whole, while protecting current businesses and ensuring that
26 alcohol is delivered in a responsible manner.

1 (f) The task force shall hold a minimum of two
2 public hearings to receive input from the public and from
3 individuals and businesses involved in the manufacturing,
4 distribution, and retail sale of wine and from common carriers
5 and other businesses involved in shipping and delivery.

6 (g) Each legislative member of the task force shall
7 be entitled to his or her regular legislative compensation,
8 per diem, and travel expenses for each day of attendance at a
9 meeting of the task force in accordance with Amendment 871 of
10 the Constitution of Alabama of 1901.

11 (h) Not later than December 1, 2020, the task force
12 shall report its findings, including any legislative
13 recommendations, to the Legislature. Upon submission of its
14 report, the task force shall be dissolved.